2-14-75

DATE:

Reference is made to J. W. LaPrade to Mr. Jenkins memoranda of 1-22-75 and 1=24-75 to you concerning the question of opening files when the fourth piece of mail is received or when we expect to receive as many as four pieces of correspondence on the same subject.

With reference to J. W. LaPrade to Mr. Jenkins memorandum of 1-24-75 the Director inquired, "Why do we open a file in this instance - Return this memo with answer pls.," making specific reference to files being opened on "nonspecific allegations of violations or complaints over which we have no jurisdiction."

The phraseology "nonspecific allegations of violations or complaints over which we have no jurisdiction..." is subject to misinterpretation and requires clarification.

A better way to describe the fourth criteria for opening a file when the subject matter does not fall within (1) an investigation of an alleged violation within our jurisdiction is made, or (2) intelligence information is gathered pursuant to our responsibilities in the internal security field, or (3) an applicant-type investigation is conducted would be #(4) where, in the judgment of the classifier, the nature of the communication is such that it is probably the first in a series of documents (either incoming or outgoing) that will be received for filing.

As a practical matter, it is easier to retrieve information concerning a given subject or subject matter from one file, if possible, rather than from several files; therefore, we have followed the practice of opening files in these instances.

RECOMMENDATION: For Director's information.

1 - Mr. Mintz OTB:bor (5)

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DATE: 2/24/75

H. N. BASSETT W

TO

MR. CALLAHAN.

SUBJECT: HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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By memorandum 2/21/75 Legal Counsel to Mr captioned as above, it was indicated that Mr. Associate Deputy Attorney General, had raised a question concerning a memorandum of Mr. Hoover's dated 6/1/71 (copy attached), in which information was furnished to Attorney General Mitchell concerning, among others, Senator George McGovern.

It is understood that specifically wanted to know if the 6/1/71 memorandum indicated in any way that Mr. Hoover furnished information concerning McGovern's illegitimate child to the Attorney General.

A review of the 6/1/71 memorandum discloses that no such information was furnished by Mr. Hoover to the Attorney General. Other questions are being handled separately. raised by Mr.

Legal Counsel requested appropriate letterhead memorandum be prepared.

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ACTION:

MEG-13562-116435-1 That attached letterhead memorandum be approved.

Enclosures

1 - Mr. Adams

1 - Mr. Mintz

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Memorandum for Mr. Callahan Re: House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Constitutional Rights

to consider in order to better coordinate intelligence gathering in the United States. Tom Charles Huston, Staff Assistant to the President, forwarded the Director on 7/23/70, the decisions that had been reached with respect to intelligence gathering in the United States. These decisions generally relaxed certain existing restraints on intelligence coverage. On receipt of this letter, the Director sent a memorandum to the Attorney General dated 7/27/70 pointing out FBI objections to the decisions reached in the Huston letter. He stated he would take no action on the Huston letter until he received word from the Attorney General. The Attorney General never responded to Director Hoover's memorandum and consequently the FBI and other agencies comprising the Committee took no action to implement the decisions in the Huston letter.

Legal Counsel requested appropriate letterhead memorandum be prepared for the Department.

ACTION:

Letterhead memorandum attached for transmittal to the Department.

Other questions raised by Mr. handled separately.

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working with McGovern, but this comes from McGovern directly. I said that therefore I saw no reason to invite Quinn Tamm since he is an employee of the Association and not an officer. The Attorney General said that if that is his position, he does not belong any place. I said I know there is a strong feeling upon the part of the officers of the association against him. The Attorney General asked if they were trying to get rid of his contract, and I said the fellow from St. Louis saved him last time and I thought in due time they would but he had about a five-year extension, but I know the President, and the 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents (and they move up each time) have been doing everything they can to get his contract canceled. I said this thing from Held is direct proof of his manipulation. The Attorney General commented it was very sickening.

I said I can't understand why he has taken the attitude he has, but I know he fed to the New York Times last year several items which I traced down and they came directly from him to this fellow Reston who was then head of the Washington Bureau of the Times and is now in New York and may be an editor.

I told the Attorney General I thought he might want to have this in mind and the Attorney General commented he is quite different from his brother. I said he was; that Judge Tamm lectured this morning before the National Academy and is an excellent man and one of the best judges on the Circuit Court. I said he and Burger held out against Bazelon and I knew that both Burger and Tamm told me during the time they were both on the Circuit Court that they wanted to get off the bench and retire, but they stayed on and it is now beginning to change complexion although it still has Bazelon. The Attorney General said we need one more. I said Bazelon is trying to get a bill through Congress and the Attorney General said he was trying to help him, too, and I said I was too. The Attorney General said it would be a great thing for the court and I added it would be good for the community too.

John Edgar Hoover Director emorandum

MR. CALLAHAN TO

2/26/75 DATE:

FROM

H. N. BASSETT His

SUBIECT:

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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Legal Counsel's memorandum to Mr. Adams dated 2/21/75 (attached) Associate Deputy Attorney General, had stated that Mr raised a question on information furnished to him from files maintained in Mr. Hoover's office concerning a meeting between Mr. Hoover, the Directors of CIA and National Security Agency and the Attorney General in March. 1971. to discuss broadening of confidential-type intelligence operations. Mr. Hoover stated in his memorandum that he was not enthusiastic about such extensions by the requested that this memo-FBI in view of the hazards involved. Mr. randum and related background memoranda be reviewed to determine whether there is an indication that Mr. Hoover discussed the "Huston Plan."

Mr. Hoover in his memorandum stated the Attorney General requested the Director of CIA to make an in depth examination of exactly what he and the Director of the National Security Agency desired and then submit the results to the Attorney General and Mr. Hoover. The Attorney General would then call another meeting of the group and make the decision as to what could or could not be done. A review of the folders maintained in Mr. Hoover's office as well as a review of pertinent Bureau files and abstracts for Mr. Hoover, Mr. W. C. Sullivan and Mr. C. D. Brennan (April - October, 1971) fail to disclose any follow-up action in this matter or discussion by Mr. Hoover of "Huston Plan."

By way of background the "Huston Plan" was the name commonly given to the "Special Report" of the Interagency Committee on Intelligence (AD HOC) which was prepared by the AD HOC Committee in June, 1970, following a series of meetings by representatives of the FBI, CIA, NSA and Defense Intelligence Agency called by the President. The meetings and the subsequent report evaluated the state of intelligence gathering and coordination of the participating intelligence agencies. The "Special Report" was sent to the President by Chairman of the Committee, former Director Hoover, with a series of options for the President

Enclosures - per 1 - Messrs. Adams, Mintz, Wannall JTS:njw (5)

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Return to Miss Gandy for filing. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535 June 1, 1971 1:40 PM Mr. Rosen MEMORANDUM FOR PERSONAL FILES Mr. Tavel While talking to the Attorney General on another matter, I Tele. Room Miss Holmes told him another thing that might be of interest is that I heard from a neliable dyand close friend this morning that CBS in New York are furnishing large and substantial funds to Senators Muskie and McGovern for the nomination. not with the idea they will get it, but to have them as so-called runners for Senator Ted Kennedy and the idea is that so much money will be spent on Muskie and McGovern they think it will scare off not only the Democratic aspirants, but also the Republicans. The Attorney General commented that was interesting. I said they are determined to have a man in the White House of their choice in the next administration. The Attorney General said it sounds like Frank Stanton and he wondered what the sources of the money were. I said CBS, probably covered by a fictional company or organization of individuals. I said he, the Attorney General, may know my friend, (Ernest) o Cuneo, but he messes around with labor people and newspaper people and I thought he also has a syndicate of a column which he sends out and acts as agent for columnists and he was the one who gave me this confidentially. The Attorney General commented it was very interesting. I told him I thought he might want to keep in in the back of his mind, and the Attorney General said particularly if we could put our finger on it and the sources, but they are activists. I said they are going to resort to everything they can I told the Attorney General further that the reason I have not included Quinn Tamm in the invitees to be at the White House on Thursday is that I learned last week that Tamm and McGovern are working closely in their attacks on me. I told him that what bappened is my Agent in Charge at Minneapolis, Held, who is a good man, was attending a dinner for the bankers of North and South Dakota and Minnesota and McGovern walked in at cocktail time to shake hands, which was political, and Held was talking to the President of the organization when McGovern came up and the President asked him if he didn't know Mr. Held and Mr. McGovern replied that he knew him very cordially and Held replied that was true no longer because when he, McGovern, attacked the Director and the Bureau he attacked every one of us and told McGovern off. I continued that Held told McGovern that all he had listened to were malcontents and cry babies and McGovern asked if he would call Quinn Tamm a cry baby and Held just walked away. I said I have been told by people that Tamm was

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